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SUBJECT: SWISS SALE OF INTEGRATED CIRCUIT TECHNOLOGY TO
SOVIETS

1. AN INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE HAS INFORMED THE
DEPARTMENT THAT THE SWISS FIRM BOLL OSWALD AG (PIERRE BOLL)
HAS RECENTLY NEGOTIATED A CONTRACT WITH THE SOVIETS FOR
THE SALE OF PROCESSING MACHINES TO BE USED IN THE PRODUC-
TION OF HYBRID INTEGRATED AND PRINTED CIRCUITS. THE
SOVIETS ALLEGEDLY ARE TO RECEIVE A U.S.-ORIGIN AUTOMATIC
DEVICE FOR PRESSES AMONG THE EQUIPMENT. THE PACKAGE
REPORTEDLY WILL ENABLE THE SOVIETS TO PRODUCE HYBRID
CIRCUITS, PRINTED CIRCUITS AND WAFERS FOR INTEGRATED
CIRCUIT PRODUCTION.

2. SINCE SOVIET CAPABILITY TO PRODUCE CERTAIN TYPES OF
THIS CIRCUITRY IS OF STRATEGIC INTEREST TO THE UNITED
STATES, THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO RAISE THIS MATTER WITH
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SWISS AUTHORITIES IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE THE LEVEL
OF TECHNOLOGY BOLL OSWALD HAS SOLD TO THE SOVIETS. CHRISTOPHER

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